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AIR FREIGHT DOWN 4.9 IN JANUARY

WASHINGTON, D.C., March 13, 1991 -- Air freight decreased 4.9 percent in January, compared with January a year ago, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Domestic air freight in January was down 2.5 percent. Mail increased 5.8 percent, and total cargo decreased 0.5 percent.

The U.S. airlines' international air freight in January was down 7.5 percent, and mail increased 3.6 percent. Total cargo declined 6.4 percent.

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PRELIMINARY CARGO TRAFFIC STATISTICS

U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY (1)

REVENUE TON-MILES

(In Thousands)

		DOMESTIC OPERATIONS			INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS				
		FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	TOTAL FREIGHT	TOTAL CARGO
JANUARY	1991	362,511	123,998	486,509	326,696	39,014	365,710	689,207	852,219
JANUARY	1990	371,846	117,171	489,017	353,118	37,667	390,785	724,964	879,802
PERCENT CHANGE		(2.5)	5.8	(0.5)	(7.5)	3.6	(6.4)	(4.9)	(3.1)
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Carriers included : Alaska, Aloha, America West, American, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Federal Express, Hawaiian, Midway, Northwest, Pan American, Southwest, Trans World, United, and USAir.

PRELIMINARY CARGO TRAFFIC STATISTICS
SYSTEM OPERATIONS

REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

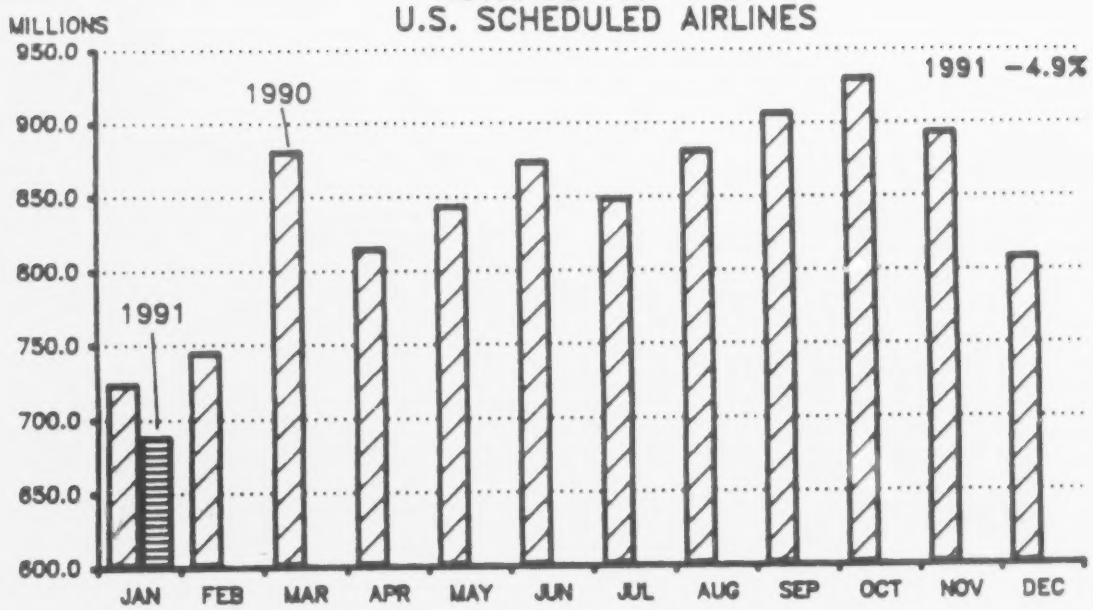
MONTH	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL CARGO
1990			
January	724,964	154,838	879,802
February	750,207	143,803	894,010
March	887,006	165,551	1,052,557
April	821,174	151,878	973,052
May	851,018	153,762	1,004,780
June	881,150	148,406	1,029,556
July	856,236	142,192	998,428
August	891,049	157,032	1,048,081
September	916,479	151,176	1,067,655
October	938,812	168,581	1,107,393
November	902,468	176,280	1,078,748
December	815,070	239,796	1,054,866
TOTAL 1990	10,235,633	1,953,295	12,188,928
1991			
January	689,207	163,012	852,219
TOTAL 1991	689,207	163,012	852,219

PERCENT CHANGE

	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL CARGO
1991/1990 January	-4.9	5.3	-3.1

FREIGHT

REVENUE TON-MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES



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REVENUE TON-MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES